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As a subscriber to AOL I must submit comments in defense of Microsoft. For the last several versions, certainly AOL6.0 and 7.0 their Netscape browser has been conspicuously absent from the scene. Earlier versions queried the user as to which browser they wished to use - Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape. Also Netscape appeared as an icon on the desktop. The last two AOL versions do not offer the choice. As a result I end up using Internet Explorer, as it is available with the basic Windows package. It is a fine product and I am happy with it. There are numerous aspects of AOL that I and many others do not like and products from Microsoft would serve the user better if AOL would offer the option, such as a decent word processor.

It seems strange that AOL would file a suit when they fail to promote their product. Or is this a ploy to serve a basis for suit against Microsoft.

The question you, DoJ, should be addressing is what the benefit is to the consumer not wining companies that are in search of a quick buck for themselves and their attorneys! Maybe that's too much to ask a government agency.

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